SUBJECT No. 296.

Alterations in the jurisdiction of civil courts.

Messrs. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, K. Shankaranarayana Rao and Shama Rao, Shimoga taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It was submitted that the late Yedahalli Munsiff's court had not sufficient work and its abolition was recommended and approved of by Government. The financial condition of the litigant public in the Sub-Division is worse now than before. The number of suits will be necessarily small. The people of Tarikere taluk are put to much inconvenience by the change of jurisdiction.

Neither the District Judge nor the Sub-Judge of Shimoga has sufficient work. The Sub-Judge is now exercising the function of a Munsiff. The Sub-Court at Shimoga and the Munsiff's court at Narasimharajapura may therefore be abolished, and an additional Munsiff's court established at Shimoga with jurisdiction over Tarikere, Koppa and Shimoga taluks and Narasimharajapura and Sringeri sub-taluks.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao spoke against the proposal and said that the existing jurisdiction should not be altered.

Reply of Government.—No alteration is feasible at present.

SUBJECT No. 297.

Through carriage between Bangalore and Shimoga.

Messrs. S. Seetharamiah, Shimoga Municipality, Srinivasa Dikshit, Shimoga District Board, and K. Shankaranarayana Rao, S. R. Balakrishna Rao and Shama Rao, Shimoga taluk.

Withdrawn, as this has since been arranged for by the Madras and Southern Maharatta Railway Company.

SUBJECT No. 298.

Shimoga Law Association.

Messrs. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, K. Shankaranarayana Rao, and Shama Rao, Shimoga taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Law Association, Shimoga, may be granted the franchise of returning a member to the Representative Assembly.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered on its merits.

SUBJECT No. 299.

Restoration of Ganadakattekere.

Mr. Bhima Rao, Channagiri taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Ganadakattekere is situated by the side of a hill and occupies a vast area. There are 500 acres of wet and dry lands under this tank belonging to Ganadakatte, Lingadahalli, Siddapura, Somasettihalli and Madhuranayakanahalli villages. If this is restored, more garden and wet lands will be brought under cultivation resulting in an increase in land revenue by Rs. 2,000. Moreover, it will be useful to the cattle and to the villagers of Komaranahalli, Malligenahalli, Madhuranayakanahalli and Basavanahalli. The tank may therefore be caused to be repaired very early.

Reply of Government.—A report may be called for from the Chief Engineer.

SUBJECT No. 300.

Railway from Chikjajur to Benkipur.

Mr. Bhima Rao, Channagiri taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A railway line may be constructed from Chikjajur to Benkipur *via* Channagiri.

Reply of Government.—Noted.